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LECTURE ON THE "STRAIGHT GOODS."

By Bishop A. Mack, D. D., of Kansas City, Mo.

The National General Evangelical Missionary Workers of the United States of America and Canada, by Bishop A. Mack, D. D.

He delivered a lecture subject "THE STRAIGHT GOODS." He says there are many ways to come to St. Louis to the World's fair. Some can come by the Burlington route, some by the C. & A., some by the M. K. & T., Missouri Pacific or the Wabash, or the Iron Mountain, or the Rock Island. Then some can come by the steam vessels. In all of these ways they must bring forth greenbacks and silver to come, which may be termed as the "STRAIGHT GOODS." If an individual starts a journey for Heaven there is nothing that will carry him through the gates into the City, except regeneration, or born again. This is the pure wheat which may be termed as the "STRAIGHT GOODS," which will carry you through the gates into the City of that goodly land. It is a grand thing to carry out the Lord's commission. His commission is to raise the fallen and instill in the hearts of men and women the characteristics of Christ. In all nations and nationalities it should be the primary movement to elevate and better the condition of mankind. This is one of the primary movements of the gospel. We find in the United States 70,000,000 people, and a great many of this great number are unsaved. There is no greater work under the sun than to save men and women from that awful destruction that awaits them. Happy is the man who has been called and chosen to preach the Gospel to every creature and tell the people to bring forth fruit, meekness, for repentance and to know God in the pardon of their sins. This is the evidence of the "STRAIGHT GOODS."

The Lord has made a decree to individuals who will help support this great work in giving freely as God has blessed them. He tells us in His words to the individual who will contribute in His great work, "He shall have corn and wine, and shall be blessed in this world, and his barn house shall be filled, and he shall have a home in His Kingdom if he will repent and be converted." This is the only way to bring up the "STRAIGHT GOODS."

What we need in our cities and towns is good judges with earnest hearts, and governors who have got the people to heart. And to this great nation the United States should make every effort to elect for president of this great nation such men as President Roosevelt and Ex-President Grover Cleveland. These two great men have shown no partiality in presiding over this great nation. This is the way for all men to do. Treat all men alike. By this you will bring forth "ROYAL GOODS." We, the great Baptist church, believe in nothing else but regeneration, or born again, and after these qualifications, the candidate is a subject for baptism in emersion. We believe before a candidate is baptized he has got to be baptized with water, but not baptized until he goes under the water. The woman who washes clothes washes them with water, but can not wash the clothes until she puts them under the water. When an individual dyes a garment he dyes them with ink, but can not complete the job until he puts it under the ink. This expresses the true baptism, and the only way to bring up the "STRAIGHT GOODS."

There are some men in this world who have even organized societies to down the Lord's church and to impede the progress of the Lord's ministers. But get, they go forward and proclaim the Gospel into all the world. There is no law in this country that will try to stop them. I see blasphemers and murderers of the Gospel almost ground up into powder.

the General of His ministers. And the Lord has demanded His church and ministers to pray. This is one of the ways to bring forth the "STRAIGHT GOODS." Baptist associations and executive boards would like to rule over this noble church, and would like to say that the church belonged to them, but God has always got a man to show the rats of their mischief. But God has put the power in the church; the church handles all ministers and members. The church denounces all disorderly ministers and members. That power is invested in the church. The church recommends all of her good ministers. There is no throne higher than the church. The church lives when the minister is lying beneath the soil. The Lord has fixed it; so let the minister and the member be subjected to the Lord's church, and this will be one of the chief ways to bring forth the "STRAIGHT GOODS."

God always has men in this world who will contribute to good works. He brings to their store houses double folds and one of these great charitable men is John D. Rockefeller, of New York, who is a Baptist, died in the wool. This great charitable man never fails to help the churches and the ministers. He is one of the millionaires that always hands down the "STRAIGHT GOODS."

The next great and noble man is Mr. Andrew Bush, of St. Louis, Mo., who is another millionaire, and Oh how wonderful God blesses this man in double folds. No one knows but God what Mr. Bush does in a year for the ministers and churches. God will reward this good man for bringing forth the "STRAIGHT GOODS."

The evangelical preachers who are called and chosen to preach the gospel from city to city must be helped, for they are under no salary whatever. But when they obey the Lord's commission and keep His commandments, there is some one that will hand down to him the "STRAIGHT GOODS," for the Bible declares that he who preaches the gospel must live off of the gospel. Bishop C. C. Cole of the First Baptist Church of St. Louis and Bishop Stevens of the Central Baptist church of St. Louis are sure teaching their flock the principles of Baptists. They are teaching the church its rights as a church and its general authority and showing the church how to carry out the policy and authority in a nut shell. This is the principle of the "STRAIGHT GOODS."

There is one thing that the Negro Baptists preachers should learn and the churches, that is, to teach the real object of Baptist Associations and Executive Boards. No Baptist Association should use the word delegate. According to Baptist polity the word messenger should be used. The meaning of this is to report the work. This is the way to give the understanding of the "STRAIGHT GOODS." This way of messengers sent from each independent body or church to meet at a certain place and then have call to say to the churches that the church belongs to their association when the church is a Divine institution and cannot belong to anything except itself. But the messengers must belong to the church. Now here is the point that I want to make. No messenger can make a compulsion of taxes for churches to go by. This is assuming authority that does not belong to messengers and the churches should not stoop down to such actions. The way to get missionary money is to let every church or independent body set a day to take up collections for the associations. If it is \$100.00 or \$500.00 let it be sent by the messengers to the association and be used for what it is taken up for. By doing this you will get more money and will give greater satisfaction.

This is the way to bring forth the "STRAIGHT GOODS" of Peace. It is very easy for messengers to go to the associations and say what churches SHALL do. It makes a general kick throughout the country. It is better to insert the word advice. This is the only way to bring forth the "STRAIGHT GOODS." Two messengers sent from each independent body or church when they are met together and organized into a Baptist Association—remember—they cannot make laws for the independent bodies or churches to go by. This would not be bringing forth the "STRAIGHT GOODS."

Has Returned Home.

Mrs. C. W. Lee, of 456 North Sarah street, has returned home from Tipton, Mo., where she has been for several months. We sent The Palladium to her while she was in Tipton. She came home to take up her work. She is indeed a good artist. See her ad. in The Palladium. The Palladium man accompanied her to the Vandeventer bank, where she drew a check for our paper. Oh she is one of



CAPT. C. H. TANDY

Departed last Saturday for Washington, D. C., on business of importance.

Antioch Church Notes.

Mrs. Georgia A. Reed has recovered from a severe attack of toothache.

Many thanks to many of the Colored employes of the Hydraulic Press Brick Co. for the patronage of The Palladium.

Subscriber—Is dis am de agunt fur dat Palladium?

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Agent—What time do you rise?

Sub—Four clock, sar.

Agent—What time do you go to work?

Sub—Five clock, sar.

Agent—Why, my dear sir, mail is not delivered so early. When you return home, you will find your paper there.

Mrs. Mary Hamilton, of Fairmount, St. Louis county, departed this life last Saturday.

Our good morals will not give us recognition among the white race, for the simple fact the color line can not be erased.

The missionary sisters of the First Baptist church, Bridgeton, will give an entertainment Saturday night, April 23.

BRIDGETON ITEMS.

Rev. J. M. Smalley preached an able sermon last Sunday at the First Baptist church, Bridgeton. His discourse tended to the warning of sinners of the danger and horrid state that awaits them "where the worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched."

Is Now Permanent.

Miss Annie Segar, of 2634 Lawton avenue, has been appointed as a permanent teacher in Cremona, under Mr. James L. Fisher. We wish her success.

NOTICE.

We would like to know the whereabouts of Mrs. Charity Mitchell. We have in our care an important letter for her. It is from the United States senate. Call.

4-Clover Leaf.

Will give their grand opening, April 23. Don't fail to come out, 2339 Market st. Mr. Arthur E. Jones represents the young Negroes in the buffet business. We trust that the young men will turn out, and make this a success.

A GREAT EVENT.

World's Fair Ball of Caterer Waiters. Last Monday night one of the most select of gatherings met at Douglass hall, in attendance upon the annual ball of the caterer waiters.

Mr. Henry Taylor made the address of the evening, after which those present enjoyed themselves dancing.

Among the large number present were: Mrs. Franklin, of 2812 Sheridan; Messrs. W. H. Parker and Rogers, post office employes; Mrs. Ophelia Morgan, of 2646 Randolph; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Holt, and brother; Mr. Tom Evans, of 3652 Evans avenue; Mrs. Henry R. Taylor and two sons and daughter.

We were struck with astonishment when our eyes fell on the most attractive and beautiful costume that was worn by Miss Fannie Strothers, of 3326 1/2 Franklin avenue. Her figure was that of a Venus; her dress fitted as if it had been molded on her. It showed a beautiful form. Indeed, she was the center of attraction. Her movements, graceful and dignified, completely bewitched everyone. Our eyes would pass from her, but ere long we would be looking at that same angle on earth. Oh, Aunt Hager has some very, very beautiful children.

Mrs. Mattie Monday, who is the guest of Mrs. Campbell, of 2635 Lucas avenue, was at the Douglass hall, last Monday night. She was one of the most conspicuous persons present, as the gown that she wore was imported from Paris. It was exceedingly grand. Her movements were as perfect as clock work. Her dancing was perfect, and the admiration of all. Really the completion of that magnificent ball could not have excelled, if she had not been present.

Mrs. Fannie Cooper was the next bewitching lady our eyes fell on. She was very attractive, and her dress was costly. Her diamonds were the center of attraction. Mrs. Cooper is indeed a lovely, mortal.

Then we noticed another beauty, Mrs. Ida Goodrich, of Nashville, Tenn. She was quite attractive.

Two of the daughters of Mrs. Richardson, of 324 Montrose avenue, were there.

Mrs. Emma Murphy, the littlest wife in St. Louis, was there, accompanied by Mrs. Bernard, the sister of Mrs. W. T. Currie.

We notice that a certain young lady can never get out unless Mr. W. Cole is near by. We think this has been going on long enough. If he is too badful to pop the question, just remind the young lady that this is leap year. She will assist him.

Mr. J. L. Hopson, of 3008 Fairfax avenue, is a very clever young gentleman. Would there were more like him.

Mrs. Franklin, whose husband conducts a very successful business at 4000 Papin street, was at the ball looking quite pleasing.

Mr. J. T. Cole worked hard to make the ball a success. Capt. Bergey Phillips and Hyatt also did good work.

Mrs. V. Dondley, Mrs. M. Nixon and Miss Hattie Johnson enjoyed themselves. They were dressed nicely, and their escort evidently enjoyed their company.

Mrs. Julia Shipton, of 2520 North Taylor avenue, Mr. and Mrs. W. Sprin-

ger, of 4010 Finney avenue, and the Misses Nellie and Viola Hyatt, were among the many others.

Colored Women's Clubs.

The monthly meeting of the City Federation of Colored Women's clubs, at St. Paul's A. M. E. church, last Monday evening, the 11th, was very interesting, and was well attended. Mrs. M. L. Harrison is president of the federation. Reports from various committees showed that the work is being systematically perfected in every detail. The ways and means committee is preparing to give a grand entertainment at the Central Baptist church, April 21. Home committee is vigorously canvassing home accommodations at \$1 per day rate. The New Douglass hall will be secured for the grand banquet for the national convention, July 14, while the informal reception will be tendered the national delegates and visitors at Central Baptist church, Monday, July 11. Enthusiasm is now at high pitch in club circles, and the grandest convale in the annals of the N. A. C. W. is already forecasted.

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GRANT OUT AGAIN.

Mr. Jas. W. Grant, "The Old Campaigner," received an ovation from a large crowd on his reappearance at the Orpheum Dancing Academy last Friday evening. While he looked pale and showed every evidence of his late illness, still he went cheerfully into his work with his usual vim and attention to detail.

The introduction of his "New Parlor-dances" was the recipient of an encore, and "The Orpheum Girls" grows more popular every week. Both are beautiful dances.

A New Company.

Walter Farrington and James Wright, at 307 Channing avenue, and 308 Leonard, veterinary dentists, clipping, breaking and styling horses. He is an expert at his business. Mr. James Wright is a coal dealer, a most polite gentleman. He takes delight in sending coal to Aunt Hager's children. Yet he has more white customers than our children. Don't fail to call on him. The firm of Farrington & Wright, 307 North Channing avenue.

Twenty-nine new subscribers since the 1st of April. The Palladium is like hot cake—everybody wants it. We have plenty of room on our mailing books.

ECHOES FROM BROOKLYN.

Well, I ain't much on talkin' about people, or about what they's adoin', but it don't speak well for us collud people for any respectable man or woman among us to go away back and set down to dive business. What I'm tryin' to get at is this: Now, look at Dr. Arthur. He could be an honor to our people. He has studied in a doctor. He praised hisself as a only nigger doctor in St. L. He knowed 'nough to cut pe-gary—they call it. But over here in Brooklyn and company that nobody in Bro. was the best. He needed cation. He starts a poolr. It did not raise the standard of cation, but fully edicates him fur the dive "biz" he's adoin'. I am low down mysef, but feels sor-he doctor. He is disgracin' us. He runs that saloon-dance-ha.

Dese old BREWERS WILL UP ten thousand dollars any day to INCOURAGE NIGGERS. UN DIVES THAT'S AGETTIN' EM LYNCHED; THAT'S AGETTIN' OD COLLUD PEOPLE'S HOUSES. IN-ED and THEM RUN OUT O' VN. Yet these same BREWERS will not put up TEN CENTS to start a nectable nigger in a respectable nness among us. It is jest another way to make a slave of niggers, and Je-men as Dr. Arthur jumps at an chance, jes' so he makes a little yey. Doctor, you ought to be asha-o' yosef, and go away back and set wn. And stay down.

SNAKE SOOBA.



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Mr. James A. Jones, of 331 Thirty-seventh street, New York city, was in St. Louis a few days ago. He is a jolly, good fellow.

Pickett's Headache Powders give instant relief. 2601 Lawton avenue.

A CARD.

MISS ESTELLE HAMILTON,

Formerly with the Douglass Printing Co. has opened her office in the

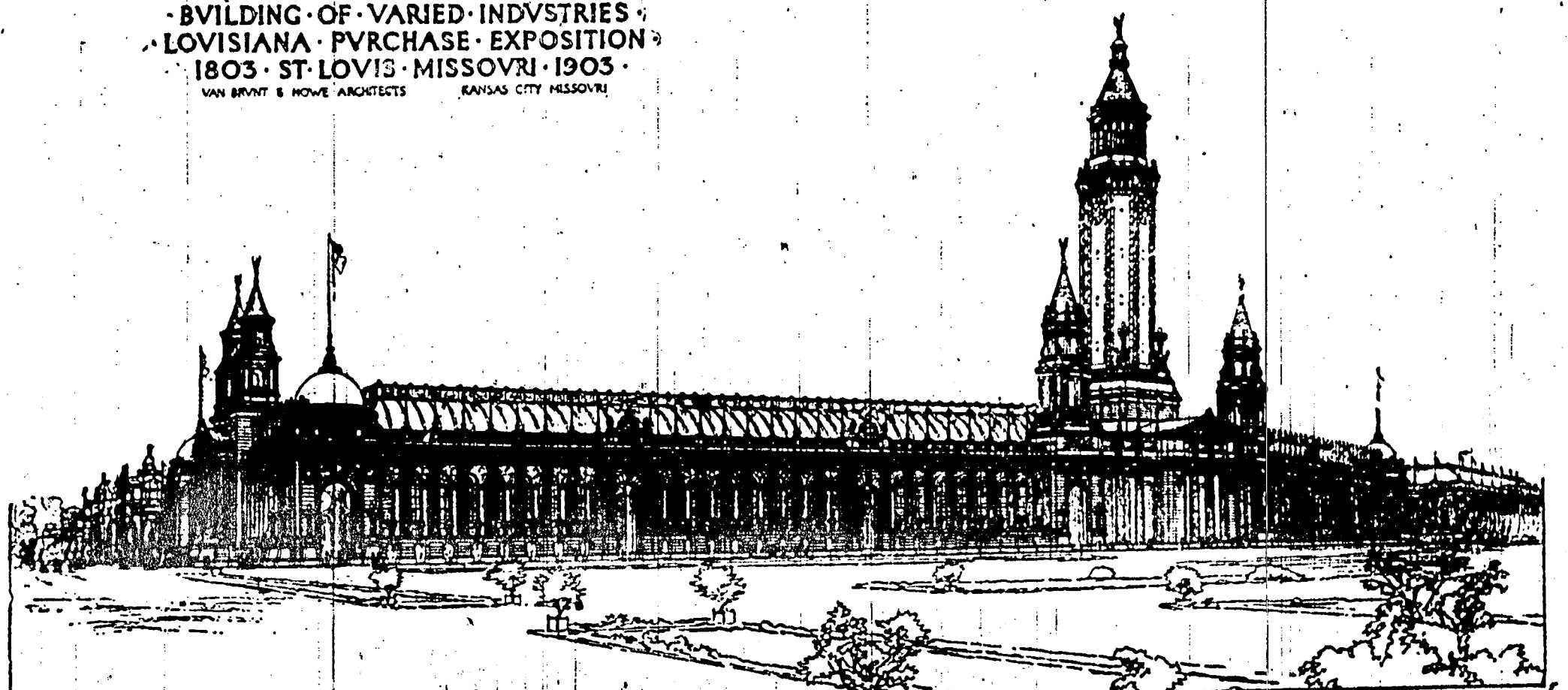
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